

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA  
SESSION 2013**

**SENATE BILL 851  
RATIFIED BILL**

AN ACT TO ALLOW FIRST CRAVEN SANITARY DISTRICT TO PROVIDE FOR  
ABSENTEE VOTING IN THE SAME MANNER AS A MUNICIPALITY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

**SECTION 1.** G.S. 163-302(a) reads as rewritten:

"(a) In any municipal ~~election~~, ~~election~~ or sanitary district election, including a primary or general election or referendum, conducted by the county board of elections, absentee voting may, upon resolution of the ~~municipal~~-governing body, be permitted. Such resolution must be adopted no later than 60 days prior to an election in order to be effective for that election. Any such resolution shall remain effective for all future elections unless repealed no later than 60 days before an election. A copy of all resolutions adopted under this section shall be filed with the State Board of Elections and the county board of elections conducting the election within 10 days of passage in order to be effective. Absentee voting shall not be permitted in any municipal election unless such election is conducted by the county board of elections. In addition, absentee voting shall be allowed in any referendum on incorporation of a municipality."

**SECTION 2.** This act applies to First Craven Sanitary District only.

**SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of July, 2014.

s/ Andrew C. Brock  
Presiding Officer of the Senate

s/ Thom Tillis  
Speaker of the House of Representatives

